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COMPLETES INSTITUTE . . . Torrance Police Lt. Donald E. Nash (right) receives congratulations for his completion of the University of Southern California's Delinquency Control Institute from C. E. Phillips, a director of the Farmers Insurance Group Safety Foundation. The foundation is co-sponsor of the institute.

## Officers Complete USC Delinquency Institute

Lt. Donald E. Nash of the Torrance Police Department and Sgt. George E. Mogle of the Los Angeles Police Department and a resident of Torrance have been graduated from the University of Southern California's Delinquency Control Institute. The two police officers received post-graduate level training in the latest methods of handling juvenile offenders. Mogle served as class secretary. Graduation of the institute's 40th class brings to 710 the number of graduates who have given professional service to some 1.3 million juveniles in most of the 50 states and 25 foreign countries. Forty-four of the graduates have become chiefs of police and three are law enforcement consultants to other nations. Speaking to the graduating class, C. E. Phillips, a director of Farmers Insurance Group Safety Foundation, a co-sponsor of the institute, said "I hope that when you return to your local departments you will receive the proper cooperation from your fellow citizens in carrying out the program and improvements that you have learned here."

## Open House Scheduled By Hospital

In observance of National Hospital Week, May 9-15, Torrance Memorial Hospital will have open house Wednesday, from 1 to 4 p.m., according to Leonard A. Ensminger, hospital administrator. During this event the Hospital Auxiliary will conduct tours through the Hospital giving the public a chance to view hospital facilities including many of the behind-the-scenes services and "off-limits" areas.

This year's national theme is "People—Heart of the Hospital." Ensminger pointed out that even though science and technology contribute remarkably to patient care, people continue to be the most important element in the hospital.

IN SOME WAYS today's hospitals resemble small cities. They centralize in one institution many of the essentials of every day life and many of the services we regularly use. They provide not only room and board, but also have a "drug store," a power plant, a library, and in many cases a "school" for budding professional personnel.

Ensminger pointed out that one in every seven persons requires hospitalization each year. "This means that every person in the community has a vested interest in the hospital and it behooves everyone to become familiar with the hospital, its services and its objectives," he advised.

# Passengers Being Told City May Soon Halt Bus Service

## Mayors In D.C. Session

"Whatever your problem, we can take care of it" seems to be the theme song in Washington, D. C., these days. Mayor Albert Isen commented Friday. Isen spent Wednesday in the Capital City, attending the Vice President's Conference with Mayors.

More than 200 mayors, representing cities between 50,000 and 150,000 in population, attended the meeting.

"IT APPEARS the federal government has some sort of aid program in almost every municipal field," Isen said, "and if they haven't got it in stock, they'll get it."

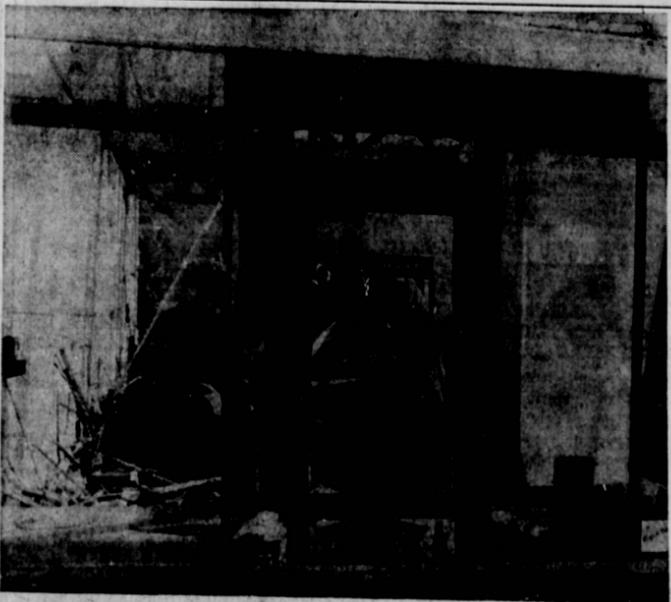
Purpose of the conference was to discuss the new Government Community Help Program. In addition to Vice President Hubert Humphrey, panel members included Dr. Robert Weaver, director of the housing administration; Willard Wirtz, Secretary of Labor; Anthony J. Celebrezze, Secretary of Health, Education and Welfare, and Sargent Shriver, director of the Office of Economic Opportunity.

DURING THE three-hour session, the panelists outlined the various federal city help programs in which their departments participate.

Isen described Vice President Humphrey's part in the session as "a tremendous public relations job promoting various government help programs." The mayor said a new phrase was coined during the session. He said Humphrey called for "creative federalism, with each helping the other to do a job."

Mayors of cities of more than 150,000 population held a similar session three weeks ago and a meeting with mayors.

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DOWN THEY GO . . . Downtown structures earmarked for demolition to make way for parking lots went under the bulldozer's blade this weekend. Construction of the 90-car lot, part of an assessment district program, is expected to be completed by late June. (Press-Herald Photo)

## Form Letters Flood City Asking Help in Rezoning

Outside interests are trying to block a plan to re-zone 57 acres of industrial land for residential uses, a letter received by many of the city's taxpayers Friday has charged.

The land, owned by Dan E. Butcher, presently is zoned M-2, (heavy industrial manufacturing). Butcher has asked for R-1 (single family residence) zoning.

The city's Planning Department based its recommendations for denial of the petition on nine points. Among other things, the Planning Department said, the proposed re-zoning would "tend to upset the land use balance with the community" and would adversely affect the city's financial structure.

THE LETTER, signed by

"Citizens for Lower Taxes," asked residents to sign an enclosure supporting the proposed re-zoning and return it to the "Citizens' Committee."

The superintendent said he did not know "what is meant by 'outside interests'."

The Fire Department has objected to the proposed re-zoning because Ordinance Associates, which manufactures explosives, owns land in the area and has tentative plans to construct a plant on the site.

During hearings before the Planning Commission, commissioners expressed satisfaction with the master plan for the area and said a change in the zoning would be "breaking faith" with the people. Tract 2200 underwent extensive study before a master plan was adopted.

The board of directors of the Torrance Chamber of Commerce also opposed the proposed zone change.

## Torrance Joins Drive To Beautify America

During the month of May, there will be special emphasis on making Torrance beautiful, according to Mrs. Frank Sciarrotta, chairman of the Torrance Beautiful Commission.

"This month we will join with cities and towns across the nation in this campaign to clean-up, paint-up, fix-up our community. Torrance is a beautiful place to live and it is an obligation of citizenship shared by each of us to take active pride in community appearance," said Mrs. Sciarrotta.

The chairman added that J. Walker Owens, manager of the Torrance Chamber of Commerce had expressed the

## City Manager Says Concern Is Premature

Warnings that a move may be made as early as Tuesday evening to abandon the Torrance Municipal Bus Lines are premature, City Manager Edward J. Ferraro declared Friday.

Ferraro said his office is participating in a council-ordered study of ways to eliminate the \$120,000 loss on the bus lines each year, but no recommendation will be made until the study is completed.

The bus lines controversy erupted Thursday when an anonymous committee began distributing leaflets urging residents to protest the proposed abandonment of the bus lines. The leaflets warned "as early as Tuesday evening."

The study began when some councilmen said they felt only a few of the city's 130,000 residents benefit from the bus lines, indicates 1,200 persons regularly use the buses, Ferraro said. The service might be performed by the Southern California Rapid Transit District, the councilmen said.

The leaflets, distributed by Taxpayers for the Continuation of Municipal Bus Service, warned discontinuance of the bus service would lower property values, deny transportation to senior citizens, job commuters, school children, and youth groups, and curtail transportation to shopping centers, hospitals, and city recreation facilities.

## YMCA Drive Tops Half Way Point

The Torrance Family with YMCA reported another \$24,724 at the third report dinner, bringing the total to date to \$83,365 or 55 per cent of the goal. The campaigners also voted to extend the campaign an additional week to meet the \$150,000 goal.

Failure to meet the campaign goal will mean cutting out parts of the new YMCA building - room that is badly needed for the expanded membership and program in the Torrance - Lomita area.

Two of the 16 divisions have met their quota. These are the Gene Goranson division with \$3,186 and the Ed Johnson division with \$3,153.

Top section for the night

## Union Proposal Studied . . .

A counterproposal by the United Steelworkers of America to a Harvey Aluminum Co. offer is under study this weekend as officials for the union and the company continue to seek a settlement of the 34-day-old strike. A company offer to take back strikers with the understanding that Harvey could retain the right to discipline 65 strikers for alleged acts of violence was rejected by union members.

## April Building Up . . .

A total of 212 building permits issued during April had a valuation of \$2,483,490, representing that much new construction authorized during the month, according to Jack McKinnon, building superintendent. Among the permits issued was one for the new YMCA building on Sepulveda Boulevard. Other permits included those for 32 single dwellings, one apartment with three units, six commercial buildings, and three industrial buildings.

## Carlson Memorial Due . . .

A memorial plaque honoring Dr. Paul E. Carlson, killed in November by Congolese rebels, to be placed at Harbor General Hospital will be recommended Tuesday to county supervisors by Supervisor Kenneth Hahn. He said he also would recommend that the hospital provide space for other plaques to honor doctors who have served the hospital and who have "dedicated their lives to services of mankind."



KEEP TORRANCE CLEAN . . . Members of Explorer Post 948 X walked the length of Torrance Boulevard Saturday picking up papers and other trash as their contribution to Keep Torrance Beautiful Month, proclaimed by Mayor Albert Isen. The Explorers, shown here near city hall, are (back) Rich Holmes, Gary Hoghoam, and assistant post advisor Bill Johnson. In front are Bob Peterson, Rick Hernandez, Tom Coulson, Gil Hernandez, and Bill Morris.